



Marble Rock Journal

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Community Calendar

Church Services:

- St. Mary's Catholic Saturday 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.
- St. Paul's Lutheran > Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School > 10:15 a.m.
- United Methodist > Sunday 9:00 a.m.
- Cedar Point Church > Sunday 10:00 a.m. >Borland Center Nashua

- January 1st > NEW YEARS DAY
- January 3rd >City Council meeting
@ 7:00 pm > City hall
- January 5th > Marble Rock Lions club meeting
@ 6:30 pm > Methodist
- January 16th > Fire Department meeting
@ 7:00 pm > Fire station
- January 16th > American Legion meeting
@ 7:00 pm > Library meeting room
- January 16th > Ladies Auxiliary meeting
@ 7:00 pm > Library meeting room
- January 17th > Marble Rock Blood Drive
@ 2:00 – 6:00 pm > Community Center
Sponsored by Lions Club & Study Club
- January 19th > Marble Rock Lions club meeting
@ 6:30 pm > St. Mary's Catholic
- January 23rd > Journal News due
- February 1st > Journal out
- February 1st > Marble Rock Community Fire Board meeting
@ 7:00 pm > Fire station



Rocky Says

Cheers to the City of Marble Rock and the Study Club for sponsoring Santa again this year. Thanks to Marty Parcher who served as Santa's helper to hand out the goodies.



Cheers to those who placed beautiful Christmas lights around their homes and to the City for the street decorations. They make the Christmas Season brighter and more joyous even if we didn't have much snow.



January 17th is again the American Red Cross Community Blood Drive from 2 to 6 pm at the Walter F. Bohl Community Center. If you have given in the past, you will receive a call scheduling your appointment. If you haven't given you can just show up between the hours stated. To make an appointment call Florence Shook at 641.315.2258 or Carol Wreghitt at 641.315.2250.

Cheers to the Lions for organizing the drive and to the Study Club for providing the snacks.



Happy New Year!

Rocky



Retiring Mayor, Doug Merfield swearing in newly elected Mayor Jerry Engelhardt.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Drive, Clear Lake, died Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011, at her residence. According to her wishes, her body has been cremated. A Remembrance Gathering will be held at 3 p.m. Friday Dec. 16, at the Lakeview Room in the Clear Lake Park Bandshell, Clear Lake, with Pastor Jason Boyd leading the sharing. Memorials may be given to the Rita Squires Memorial Fund.

Rita was born July 19, 1946, in Charles City, the daughter of Wilfred Carl and Lyla (Smith) Truex. She graduated from Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock High School in 1964. She continued her education at North Iowa Area Community College and obtained her nursing degree. She worked as a nurse at North Iowa Hospital and later North Iowa Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa where she was a nurse and later nurses' supervisor.

Rita was a very gentle and caring person which was evident in her choice of careers. She was at her best when dealing with other people's difficult situations. Rita was always first to lend compassionate support to persons in need.

Rita was a talented artist in any medium she chose to express her abilities. She enjoyed quilting, painting and beading and many other crafts and hobbies. Rita is survived by her son Tim Squires, Manly; two brothers Doug Truex and his wife Jean, Waterloo, and Rick Truex, Mason City, and two sisters Joan Norvold and her husband Mark, Cedar Falls, and Charlotte Seick, Willmar, Minn. She was preceded in death by her parents and two nephews Tony Seick and Chris VanArkle.

Ward-Van Slyke Colonial Chapel, 101 N. Fourth St., Clear Lake, Iowa, 641.357.2193.

JOHN H. 'JACK' TAYLOR

Funeral services for John H. 'Jack' Taylor, 69, of Marble Rock, will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, at the Walter F. Bohl Community Center, 520 College St. in Marble Rock, with Pastor John Hanna officiating. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. today, Monday, Dec. 12, 2011, with a Scripture Service at 7 p.m. at Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. First St., Greene. Visitation will continue



at the Community Center on Tuesday one hour before services.

John Harold Taylor was born on Sept. 29, 1942, in Grinnell, to Harold and Dorothy (Polly) Taylor and passed away Friday, Dec 9, 2011, at Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa in Mason City. He received his education in the public schools in Charles City and graduated from Rudd- Rockford-Marble Rock High School in 1960.

He was united in marriage to Marcia Kay Hume on May 1, 1966, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Charles City. This union was blessed with two children.

Jack worked at the Oliver Tractor Plant in Charles City in dispatch and the experimental department. In 1966 he began farming with his father and continued to farm the rest of his life. Jack collected hats and dabbled with restoring old tractors. He had many good friends with whom he liked to socialize. He saw himself as a steward of the land making farming his life. He was kind hearted and concerned for others which prompted many generous acts of kindness, especially during the flood of 2008. Most of all he loved his family and was very proud of his grandson, Douglas John.

Jack was serving on the Floyd County Mutual Insurance Board, was a past member of the Lions Club, the Floyd County Pork Producers and spent 12 years on the Marble Rock Elevator Board.

Jack is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Marcia of Marble Rock; one daughter, Pamela (Ronn) Datema of Ankeny; one son, Michael (Gina) Taylor of Mason City; one grandson, Douglas John Taylor; two sisters, Marlene (David) Gjerset of Minneapolis, Minn., Mary (Craig) Scott of Chariton; one sister-in-law Cynthia (Lee) Chambers of Robins; many nieces and nephews; and many caring friends. He was preceded in death by his mother and father, his adoptive mother, and his grandparents.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may direct memorials to the John H. Taylor Memorial Fund, 2805 Echo Ave., Marble Rock, IA 50653.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. First St., Greene, 641-823-4457 www.reidsfuneralchapel.com.

BILL SCHOON

Bill Schoon, age 52, passed away on December 11, 2011, at Greene, Iowa.

Billy Dean Schoon was born on April 11, 1959, at Fort Dodge. He was the son of Delmar and Colleen (Armstrong) Schoon. Bill was educated in Palmer and Pomeroy schools. After he completed his education, Bill worked for area farmers. He moved to Dodge City, Minnesota and later to Rockford. While in Rockford, Bill worked as a welder for area construction companies. He later drove express shuttle for the Union Pacific Railroad. After that, he returned to farming.

Bill enjoyed fishing and hunting, shooting pool and playing cards in his spare time.

Survivors include his mother, Colleen (Virgil) Lines of Rockford, children Rachael Hubbeling of Ames and Cody Dayton and Cory Dayton, both of Ford Dodge, sisters Debbie (Rick) Watts of Curlew and Valorie (Sheila) Lines of Des Moines, brother, Terry (Cathy)

Schoon of Fort Dodge, plus many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his dad, Delmar and brother, Donald, and all of his grandparents.

STEPHEN L. KOENIGSFELD

Stephen L. Koenigsfeld, 79, of Marble Rock, passed away Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at the Floyd County Memorial Hospital in Charles City. A Funeral Mass will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Roseville, on Saturday, December 17, 2011 at a.m. with Rev. Msgr. Walter Brunkan officiating. Burial will be in the St. Mary Cemetery, Roseville, with honor guard presentation of colors by the Charles City Patriot Association.



Visitation will be 5-8 p.m., Friday, December 16, 2011, from, at the St. Mary Catholic School Gym in Roseville with a Wake Service at 7:00 p.m.; visitation will continue for one hour before services at the church on Saturday.

Stephen L. Koenigsfeld was born January 10, 1932, in Floyd County, IA, to Dan and Mabel (Osier) Koenigsfeld. He received his education at St. Mary's School, and Marble Rock Sr. High. While in high school, Stephen enjoyed playing baseball, and working on the farm. In 1951 Stephen joined the Air Force and was stationed in Germany during the Korean conflict until his honorable discharge in 1953. While serving in the Air Force he was united in marriage to Mary Friedrichs on December 31, 1952. To this union 3 sons and 1 daughter were born.

Stephen lived his entire life in and around the Marble Rock area. He had been employed at Haller Lumber Co. in Marble Rock, IA for 37 years. He actively served on the Marble Rock Volunteer Fire Department for 38 years, was a lifetime member of the American Legion, served on the Marble Rock City Council, and a member of the Knights of Columbus. Stephen enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, and enjoyed fishing, hunting, dancing, and was an avid sports fan. He will be remembered for his story telling and sense of humor.



Stephen is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Mary, four children: Marty (Sue) of Des Moines, IA, Jeff of Marble Rock, IA, Lorri (Brian) Chambers of Marble Rock, IA, Dan (Kerry) of Ankeny, IA; 6 Grandchildren: Tony, Stephanie, Josh, Seth, Emily, Stephen, Sarah; 2 step grandchildren: Matt, Dan; 3 great-grandchildren (the little squirts): Keely, Mckinley,

Emberlyn; 3 step great-grandchildren: Lily, Greg, Nicholas; 2 brothers: Aloysius, Peter; 4 sisters: Cecilia, Dorothy, Mary, Bernadette; several sisters in law, brothers in law, dozens of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and four sisters: Joanne, Genevieve, Elaine, and Theresa; step granddaughter: Lisa; step great-granddaughter: Addy Mae.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may direct memorials to the Stephen Koenigsfeld Memorial Fund, 317 N. Main St. Marble Rock, Iowa 50653. On line condolences will be received at our web-site www.reidsfuneralchapel.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. First St., Greene. 641-823-4457 www.reidsfuneralchapel.com

WILLIAM H. BELL Jr



William H. Bell Jr. Floyd: Funeral Services for William H. Bell Jr., 67, of Floyd, will be 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 20, 2011, at Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. First St., Greene, with Pastor John Hanna officiating. Burial will be in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Greene.

Visitation will be 4-7 p.m., Monday, December 19, 2011, with a scripture service at 7 pm, at Reid's Funeral Chapel, Greene. Visitation will continue one hour before services on Tuesday.

William Henry Bell Jr. was born in Bremen, Fairfield County, Ohio, August 8, 1944, a son of William and Louise (Poling) Bell, and died Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at the Floyd County Memorial Hospital in Charles City.

He attended public school graduating in 1962 from Bremen Rush Creek Memorial High School in Ohio. William was united in marriage to Lois Kingery on November 5, 1977, at the Brethren Church in Greene. The couple moved to Floyd where they made their home.

William was a gifted mechanic that repaired balers both in Iowa and around the mid-west. He worked for White Farm Equipment in Charles City for a time and then became a school bus driver. He drove bus for the R.R.M.R. School district until his retirement. William then remained active as a school bus sub, for several communities and spent many hours carrying children to sporting events, the zoo, and on other field trips. He worked well with children as he was structured but patient.

He was very active with the Cedar Valley Engine Club. William drove the baler that baled hay during the engine shows; he also assumed responsibilities

for the maintenance on the equipment. William was fond of cats and gave numerous homeless cats a place to call home. He loved to spend time with his many friends.

William is survived by one sister, Jeanie of Ohio, three sisters-in-law: Janice (Levi) Ackart of Greene, Betty Kingery of Greene, Evelyn Fish of Nashua; one brother-in-law Elvin (Dorothy) Kingery of Chattanooga, TN, many nieces, nephews and friends.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Lois, in 1990 and his parents. Those planning an expression of sympathy may direct memorials to the William H. Bell Jr. Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 83, Greene, Iowa 50636

Arrangements have been entrusted to Reid's Funeral Chapel 519 N. First St. in Greene. 641-823-4457 www.reidsfuneralchapel.com

IMA JEAN DIXTRA (FREESEMAN) SELLERS



CHARLES CITY - Ima Jean Dixtra (Freeseeman) Sellers of Charles City died Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at the Floyd County Medical Center with her family by her side after a courageous battle with cancer. At her request, no service will be held; however a Celebration of Life gathering will take place from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on

Friday, Dec. 23, at Fullerton Hage Funeral Home, 401 Blunt St. Charles City.

Jean Sellers was born Jan. 7, 1938, in Parkersburg to William and Evelyn Freeseeman. Her parents were dairy farmers in Greene for many years, which explain Jean's love for the outdoors and exemplary work ethic. She graduated from Greene High School in 1956.

Later, she made her home in Charles City, where she raised her family. Her interests revolved around her family, gardening, baking and especially helping others, which included the annual Juvenile Diabetes trail ride pioneered by her brother, Butch Freeseeman. She devoted much of her time and energy as a caregiver to her family members, especially her beloved grandchildren.

Jean is survived by her sisters and brothers and their spouses, Darlene Freeseeman Enabnit and Ross Enabnit, Butch Freeseeman, Evonita Freeseeman Dahl, and De Laine and Jane Freeseeman; three daughters and two sons and their spouses, Deb (Dave) Beaver, Dale Sellers, Cindy (Randy) Stephenson, Michael (Mary Ann) Sellers, and Kimberly (Tim) Johnson; several nieces and nephews; and 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, William and

Evelyn Freeseeman, and her brother, Gordon Freeseeman.

The family wishes to extend special loving thanks to Hospice of North Iowa, Floyd County Medical Center, Pastor Ron Stein and Karen, and Father Carl Ries, along with everyone who offered heartfelt wishes and prayers over the last year. Memorial gifts can be sent to Fullerton Hage Funeral Home.

Fullerton Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 401 Blunt Street, Charles City, IA, 641-228-4211. www.fullertonfh.com

VENA GAIL (SOURS) POPPE



Greene - Funeral: A funeral mass for Vena Gail Poppe, of Greene will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, December 29 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Greene with Rev. Msgr. Walter Brunkan officiating. Burial will be at Rose Hill Cemetery, Greene.

Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, with a Scriptural Wake service at 7:00 p.m. at Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. 1st Street, Greene, and will continue at the church 1 hour before the service.

Vena Gail Sours was born February 18, 1922, three miles east of Marble Rock, Floyd County, Iowa, the daughter of Clifton E. and Vera M. (Bower) Sours and died Thursday, December 22, 2011 at the Leibe Care Center in Greene. She was almost 90 years old. She received her education in the Union Township #10 Country School, Floyd County and graduated from Marble Rock High School in 1940.

Vena Gail lived at home until she was 21 years old. She enjoyed farming with her father and especially loved having her pony to ride for 18 years. Vena Gail was married then divorced from Urban Kelly. The couple was blessed with two children.

She was united in marriage to Dale E. Poppe, October 4, 1968. Dale was from Greene and a field representative for P.A.G. Seed Corn Company. Vena Gail worked along side Dale for many years. In 1972 and 1973 they drove school bus for the Greene Community Schools. In 1974 the couple started delivering Winnebago Motor Homes all over the United States for Winnebago Industries. They delivered to every state in the United States and made 4 trips to Alaska and extensively in Canada. Vena Gail also transported Winnebagos by caravan to Mexico many times in a three year period. In her 12 years of driving, she accumulated 253,497 miles. Due to health issues, she was forced to give up driving

Once able to resume work, she and Dale were hired as Regional Director's for W.I. Traveler's. They were responsible for the entire eastern portion of the

United States. She and Dale wintered in Florida, Texas, Arizona, California, New Mexico and Oregon for over 23 years. They spent 2 months in Alaska, 3 weeks in Maritime Province and Prince Edward Island, Canada. They were avid fishermen at Leach Lake every summer. She and Dale were Captain and Head Hostess on the "Spirit of Greene" which was a 46 passenger paddle wheel boat that toured the Shell Rock River in Greene. They held their positions from 1988 to 1995.

Vena Gail became fully involved with St. Mary's Catholic Church following her driving career. She was a C.D.A. member for 44 years and served as president. She was also a member of St. Lucy's Circle and was president for many years. Vena Gail was a member of the Women's Club and the Handicraft Club.

Her interests included traveling, making crafts and playing cards. She was very involved with her family and loved all the family gatherings. Vena Gail enjoyed picnicking, hiking, attending school functions and sporting events.

She is mourned by two children: Joyce Ann Kelly (Jim) Klunder, Paul E. (Dianne) Kelly; three stepchildren: Dale Poppe, Jr.; Dean M. (Ruth Ann) Poppe and Sharon (Don) Hunt; 10 grandchildren: Jimmy, Joe, Jason, Justin, Jennifer, Jayne Klunder Zwanziger; Paulie, Brian, Laura Kelly Greier; Chris Rowe and 21 plus great grandchildren; Sister: Norma Hall; Brother: Calvin (Carol) Sours Sisters-in-law: Evalyn Nettleton & Diane Hartman.

She is preceded in death by her Husband: Dale; parents, one brother: Claire, nephew: Clifton Sours; sisters-in-law: Vi Tack, Lucille Sours and brothers-in-law: Clair Nettleton and Bud Hall.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may direct memorials to the Vena Gail Poppe Memorial Fund in care of the family at 244 South Water Ave., New Hampton, IA 50659. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Reid's Funeral Chapel, 519 N. 1st St., Greene, www.reidsfuneralchapel.com

JEROME PAULEY



DENNISSION - Jerome Hobart Pauley was born on July 20, 1939 to Albert and Cyrilla (Bissen) Pauley in Panama, Iowa. He grew up on a farm near Tennant before the family moved to their farm outside of Earling. He attended and graduated from St. Joseph's Catholic School in Earling where

he was an all-county basketball player.

He moved to Omaha after high school and worked at the Corn State Laboratory during the day and deliv-

ered groceries at night. He returned to Shelby County and worked on local farms outside of Defiance and Denison until 1963.

On August 11, 1959, Jerome was united in marriage to Elizabeth "Betty" Weis at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. There were seven children born to this union: Rick, Kim, Gary, Tim, Julie, Jayne, and Anne.

In 1967, Jerome started working at Farmland and retired in 2004 after thirty-seven years. He continued to farm full-time until the fall of this year.

He was a referee and officiated many ball games and announced at several tournaments. He enjoyed bowling and going to the casinos every once in a while.

Jerome died on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan, Iowa, having attained the age of seventy-two years, four months, and seventeen days. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his grandson Nathan Parker.

He is survived by his children: Rick Pauley and his wife Peg of Earling, Iowa, Kim and her husband Jim Wessels of Marble Rock, Iowa, Gary Pauley and his wife Karen of Parker, South Dakota, Tim Pauley and his wife Sandy of LeMars, Iowa, Julie and her husband George Langenfeld of Harlan, Iowa, Jayne and her husband Bruce Parker of Smithland, Iowa, and Anne Pauley of Earling; fifteen grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother Lee Pauley and his wife Linda of St. Cloud, Minnesota; sisters Gloria and her husband Marvin Royal of Orlando, Florida and Donna Fullerton of Arlington Heights, Illinois; other family members and friends.

Rev. Chris Fontanini celebrated the 11:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, Iowa. Honorary casket bearers were Nicole Pauley, Tara Pauley, Staci Hess, Amber Raveling, Tori Langenfeld, Cali Langenfeld, Leah Parker, Ryan Parker, Aiden Hintermeister, and Lexi Ohl. Serving as casket bearers were Mitchell Thompson, Trevor Langenfeld, Derek Pauley, Brian Lux, Ben Pauley, Tyler Pauley, and Josh Pauley. Interment was held at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling.

Pauley Jones Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DELORES "TOODIE" JANE ARHART



GARNER - Delores "Toodie" Jane Arhart, 77, died Thursday, December 29, 2011, at the Good Shepherd in Mason City. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 11 a.m. at the Wesley United Methodist Church at 1405 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Mason City, IA 50401. Pastor

Keith Scott will be officiating the service. Following the service, there will be a luncheon held at the church. The interment will be at the West Side Cemetery in Marble Rock, Iowa, following the luncheon.

A visitation will take place Tuesday January 3, 2012, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Mason City. Visitation will also be one hour prior to service on Wednesday.

Those wishing to express their sympathy through a memorial can be made to Wesley United Methodist Church in Delores's name or may direct them in care of the family by sending to Robert Arhart, 625 Golf View Drive, Garner, IA 50438. The family will distribute the memorial funds to charities that benefited Delores.

Delores "Toodie" Arhart was born in Bristow, Iowa, March 21, 1934, to Henry and Velma (Bohnoff) Krull. She was one of six children. The others were Edward, Marjorie, Harry, Lyle and Sam. She spent the first years of her educational life going to country schools and later attended and graduated from Marble Rock High School.

In 1956 Delores married the love of her life, Robert Arhart, and this union was blessed with four children: Randy, Janine, Kim, and Rick. Aside from caring for her family as a full-time homemaker, she spent her time cooking, working at various places including Younkers, JC Penney and Cub Foods. She also worked many years at the Tom Thumb Deli in the Twin Cities. There she acquired the nickname of Julia Child for her delectable dishes. She was promoted to their main downtown store until the couple returned to Garner, where she resided for her retirement.

Delores had a passion for gardening. She had many plants and flowers with all kinds of foliage. She truly had a green thumb. She enjoyed decorating their retirement home along with collecting hand-crafted birds, china tea sets and porcelain dolls. Delores was extremely shy in her younger years, but as the years went by she blossomed, just like her many gardens, into a social loving person who foremost loved her husband Robert, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren along with countless friends. Delores loved to be around her family and couldn't wait to host their next gathering.

Delores' love and memories will live on in the hearts of her husband, Robert Arhart of Garner, Iowa; children: Son: Randy (Jane) Arhart of Austin, Minn., and their children Ryan (Kelsey), Lindsay and Ashley; Daughter: Janine (Brian) Hammarstedt of Mason City, Iowa, and their children Michele (Dan) Werts and their baby due in February 2012, Matt Hammarstedt and Amanda (Nick) Steege, and their children Noah and Tayden; Daughter: Kim (Kevin) Smith of Belmond, Iowa, and their sons Kody and Kyle;

son: Rick (Tammy) Arhart of Rochester, Minn., and their daughters Abigail and Alexandria.

Delores is also survived by her beloved brother, Lyle Krull, and sister, Sam (Earl) Usher, along with various other beloved relatives. Delores is preceded in death by her parents Henry and Velma Krull, brothers Edward and Harry and sister Marjorie. Andrews Funeral Homes, Belmond, Iowa, 641-444-4474.



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REPUBLICAN CAUCUS SITES

The Floyd County Republican Caucus will be held Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012. Doors will open at 6:30 p. m. and the caucus will begin at 7 p. m.

There will be three sites for Floyd County precincts as follows:

- Charles City High School - CC Precinct 1 (Library), CC Precinct 2 (Messiah Lutheran Church), and St. Charles/Riverton
- Washington Elementary School - CC Precinct 3 (Trinity United Methodist Church, CC Precinct 4 (Courthouse) and Floyd/Cedar/Niles.
- Rockford School - Rockford/Ulster/Scott/Union/Pleasant Grove/Rock Grove/Rudd

Items in parenthesis are where Charles City precincts normally vote. Voter registration forms will be available to register or update your information. For same-day registration, you will need to prove your identity with some form of official photo ID. You will also need to prove that you are a resident of the precinct in which you wish to register, using an acceptable proof of your address.



THANK YOU

The Family of Kenneth Pickett would like to thank each and everyone that brought food in. Thanks to everyone who sent cards and stopped by. The prayers and thoughtfulness which you all have all helped our family.

Pickett Family,

Mary Jane, Dan, Tammy, Miranda, Breanna, Kayla
Thank you doesn't seem like enough for all the cards, calls, flowers, food, visits, prayers and the many rides I've received since my accident and surgery of October 20th. Thanks to Todd, Lynette and Bonnie for coming to my rescue, Earl, Dana and my mother for all they've done and Pastor Sandberg for his visit. Hope everyone has a good 2012.

Linda Debner

Thank you to the community for your generosity and respect you showed our family at the time of our loss. It was much appreciated.

Stephen's family

A sincere Thank You to everyone who sent cards, memorials and other expressions of sympathy after the loss of my sister, Jean.

Darlene and Ross Enabnit

Thank you for your cards, calls, visits, and prayers while I was in the hospital and in the care center recuperating after my surgery. May God Bless you all.

Edna King



UNION BUSY BEES 4-H CLUB

The Union Busy Bees 4-H Club held our last meeting on December 11, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 4:12 by President Cole Staudt. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kaden Lyman. Roll Call was a Christmas tradition, and was answered by 21 members. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. Old business included a report given on beef weigh-in by Adam Staudt. Jayden Jorgensen gave a report about the Salvation Army Bell Ringing. Olivia Staudt gave a report on the snowman workshop. Cole Staudt told us about the Chicago Awards Trip he took in November. For new business we talked about 4-H day at the ISU women's basketball game, if you want to go talk to Teresa. There will be a sewing workshop held on December 28. Make sure that you are re-enrolled. New member night is at the extension office on January 23; from 6:30 to 8:00 Emma Staudt led us in the 4-H Pledge. Presentations were given by Michaela Chambers and Jake and AJ Staudt. Michaela Chambers was the hostess. After the meeting we wrapped presents for Crisis Intervention. Our next meeting will be on January 8, 2011 at 4:00 at the Marble Rock Methodist Church.

Sorry I was so late at getting this out.
Reporter Amy Fullerton



Dec. 2011-Jan. 2012 After School Program News

This past month at the after school program, we went caroling, had an over night sleep in at the library, raffled off the quilt that we made, decorated the Christmas tree at the library, made crafts, and made Christmas cookies. The kids had so much fun making cookies, and decorating them. The WINNER of the quilt that we made was ELAINE OTT. Congrats to her, the quilt will be displayed in the library for all to see. The winning name was drawn out on Dec. 16, 2011 at the bank on their holiday open house. We also had an overnight sleep in at the library, we went caroling earlier that night and then we had pizza, played games, watched movies, and did a craft, and then we played hide and seek in the dark library. The kids had so much fun. They always have a great time. We ended the month by having a Christmas party. They played games, and had snacks. Everyone at the After School Program would like to wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year. Here's looking forward to 2012. Thanks for all your support to the After School Program, it is greatly appreciated.



UNAPPROVED MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARBLE ROCK CITY COUNCIL MONDAY DECEMBER 5, 2011 7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Marble Rock City Council was called to order with Mayor Merfeld presiding with Councilpersons Engelhardt, Hubbard, Parcher, Schmidt, Wells present. Interested citizens were present. Mayor Merfeld led the Pledge of Allegiance. Moved Engelhardt/seconded Parcher to approve the agenda as presented. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried.

Moved Engelhardt/seconded Wells to accept the minutes of the November 7, 2011 Regular Meeting, the November 21, 2011 Special Meeting, and the Clerk presented a request from No. 8 on the Collections Report for payments to pay his bill. Council discussed what he had asked for and other options. Moved Engelhardt/seconded Hubbard that No. 8 sign an agreement to \$58.82 for eight (8) weeks and if payment is missed, water will be shut off as per agreement. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried.

Moved Hubbard/seconded Schmidt to approve the monthly reports as amended. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried.

Income for the month of November totaled \$31,298.01 which includes: General Fund \$5,789.33, Library Fund \$1,155.74, Comm. Center Fund \$27.38, Park Board Fund \$0.09, Employee Benefits \$797.88, Road Revenue Fund \$15,810.64, TIF Fund \$13.42, Landfill-Garbage/Recycling Fund \$1,130.44, Sewer Revenue Fund \$2,377.24, Water Revenue Fund \$4,043.51, Proprietary \$152.34.

Moved Engelhardt/seconded Parcher to approve the claims as amended. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried. Total of all city claims were \$36,196.78.

Salaries	3413.27	
TrueNorth life insurance	4.80	
Omnitel Communications		
telephone service	100.18	
Alliant Energy electricity	627.55	
Black Hills Energy natural gas	226.93	
First Security Bank		
sewer loan payment	1153.27	
United Healthcare		
group insurance	1261.38	
NAPA Auto Parts		
fuel filters, switch, brakes, anti-freeze		347.49
Chatfield Salvage & Towing		
solenoid	20.00	
Landers Hardware		
Christmas decorations repair	48.01	
Jendro Sanitation		
garbage/recycle collection	839.56	
Jendro Sanitation Bag Account		
large garbage bags	360.00	
Charles City Press		
publish minutes	53.04	
Iowa One Call locates	1.80	
Iowa Rural Water Assoc.		
2012 membership dues	200.00	
Scavenger Backwater Motors throttle		12.90
Calhoun-Burns Associates		
bridge project to 11.12.11	4570.18	
Lessin Supply cylinder repair parts		27.64
Staples Credit Plan		

paper, ink for new copier, supplies	165.33
Postmaster 2 rolls stamps	88.00
Marble Rock Library November 29, 2011 Special Meeting	
first half allocation	500.00
M.R. Fire Department	
2011 Fire Assessment	14323.68
Marble Rock Reserves transfers	1600.00
Jerry Engelhardt 15 council meetings	283.05
Jerry Hubbard 16 council meetings	301.92
Earl Parcher 15 council meetings	283.05
Gary Schmidt 15 council meetings	283.05
Steve Wells 16 council meetings	301.92
Sandra Winters 16 council meetings	284.70
First Security Bank Form 941	915.10
IPERS ipers	692.56
Iowa Dept. of Revenue sales tax	286.00
Stop-N-Shop gas	179.74
Allied Manatts Group chloride sand	531.84
Mosquito Control of Iowa	
2011 Mosquito Control Program	1540.00
Swartzrock Implement battery	123.84
AgSource	
monthly test, wastewater tests, SDWA	245.00

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Mayor reported that he attended another Law Enforcement Meeting and that the Supervisors were leaving the cost at \$4.00 per capita.

Steve Wells reported that he had attended a Library Board meeting and ask about borrowing money from them at 5% interest for the TIF project. He said they voted to not loan the city any money. Funding for the water project was discussed. Possible financing talked about were loans, state revolving funds, and revenue bonds. Moved Wells/seconded Hubbard to have Jerry Engelhardt check on financing for water project. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried. Councilman Engelhardt talked about the River Street project and some driveways needing rock. Moved Hubbard/seconded Engelhardt to haul load of rock to Nick Degen and Ken Parcher driveways. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried.

Clerk presented the Abstract of Votes that showed Jerry Engelhardt with 75 write-in votes was elected to the office of Mayor for a term of 4 years, Steven Wells with 90 votes was elected to the office of Council Member for a term of 4 years, and John Marzen with 51 write-in votes was elected to the office of Council Member for a term of 4 years. Moved Engelhardt/seconded Schmidt to accept the Abstract of Votes. Roll: Ayes- All. Carried.

HACCP is a written food/feed safety plan that documents and describes the procedures used by our facility — receiving, production, delivery, etc. An analysis of hazards that are “known or reasonably foreseeable” was completed for Viafield’s feed operation. Potential hazards included chemical (pesticides and drug residues), biological (mycotoxins), and physical (plastic and metal) hazards. Once the hazards were identified, written procedures were put in place to prevent or minimize these hazards from contaminating the feed produced at Viafield. After completing our written plan, training our employees and conducting an internal audit of how the plan was working, we contracted with SGS, the world’s largest quality control and inspection company, to audit our HACCP system and verify that it is working as intended. On August 8-10, Viafield passed the SGS certification audit.

HACCP is a continual process that requires Viafield to reanalyze and update our food/feed safety plan.

Our Elgin feed mill is our first facility to implement the HACCP system, and we will be evaluating when we will implement it at our other facilities in our commitment to producing safe, quality feed products for our producers.

Tom Murray
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Happy Birthday

- January 1st > Janice Wells / John Swinton
- January 2nd > Samatha Schriever / Marsha Schwartz / Karen Keith
- January 3rd > Justin Schweizer
- January 4th > Justin Stewart / Amanda Pierce / Joshua Wharton
- January 5th > Chase Kruegar / Janice Schultz / Cindy Carpenter
- January 6th > Dan Kingery / Daniel Duryee
- January 7th > Marvin Enabnit
- January 8th > Donna Gerhard
- January 10th > Ryan Thieman
- January 12th > Becky Brierly
- January 13th > Jacque Bushbaum / Charolette Owen / Rose Mary Chambers
- January 14th > Arlene Carney / Renee Parker
- January 16th > Ella Carroll / Paige Enabnit / Caroline King
- January 17th > Ann Ott
- January 18th > Lorri Chambers / Tessy Hunt
- January 19th > Shirley Welch
- January 21st > Mary Adams / Barry Winters
- January 22nd > Max Handley / Troy Duryee / Mindy Rowe / Rachel Chambers / Ty Bouillon/ Anna Wells
- January 23rd > Doug Merfeld / Tyler Keith / Hayley Meek / A J Staudt / Weston Lines / Beth Reinhart
- January 24th > Patricia Staudt / Gary Kinseth / Jeffrey Staudt
- January 25th > Mike Hollatz
- January 27th > Chris Titus / Amy Titus
- January 28th > Zachary Chambers
- January 29th > Morgan Krull / Kelly Dolan
- January 31st > Megan Neal / Jennifer Green / Bill Wentworth



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- January 17th > Sue & Marty Parcher
- January 28th > Diane & Clay Black
Arlene & Robert Carney



What is your New Years Resolution?

I am starting my 90 day Body by Vi Challenge, in January, because I discovered, when you reach 50, your body seems to think bulges are in and muscles are out... so I need to lose weight & develop muscle and I would love to have you join me, too, because I REALLY need your help! As friends, we can support each other, every day...by giving each other little words of encouragement, when we feel down, lazy or tempted... and cheer each other on, when we reach milestones!!!

And when we join Body by Vi's 90 Day Challenge, we all have the opportunity to win part of ten million dollars in cash, prizes and vacations FOR just losing weight, getting fit or running a marathon. There are categories for females, males, couples and, NOW, families!!! In fact, if you enter as a family, you can also enter as a couple and as a male or female, too. So each of us will have several chances to win!

Each of us just pick a goal... whether it is to lose weight... gain muscle... run a marathon... live a healthier lifestyle... etc... it will be our own individual choice!

And, just like American Idol, our friends and relatives will be able to vote for us, to help each of us to win those amazing prizes, cash & trips!!!

Let's make this the healthiest Community Challenge!!!
Who's with me?

Call me to join me on the challenge...

As I have lost 25 # and 12 inches so far with the last 90 day challenge I was on. My goal this time is another 20 # off within this 90 days.

www.bevfisher.myvi.net



Floyd County January 2012 Wellness Calendar

JANUARY: Prepare Childbirth series—January 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th 6:30 – 9:30 PM

Floyd County Medical Center— call for registration
For Mom's due between January 31 thru April 26th.

Free for those who plan to deliver at FCMC- \$65.00 for those delivering elsewhere.

Mothers wishing Refresher information should register for dates of any given class.

Cost: \$50.00 for refresher class

For information contact FCMC OB Dept. 1-641-228-6830 ext: 270

January 5th Childhood Immunization Clinic – Floyd County Court House 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

To schedule an appointment call 1-641-257-6111

January 10th Free Blood Pressure Clinic

Cedar Crest Apts-910 13th St

10:00 AM -11:00 AM

January 11th Childhood Immunization Clinic – Floyd County Court House 1:00-4:00 PM

To schedule an appointment call 1-641-257-6111

January 17th Alzheimer's Support Group 4:00

PM—St. John's Lutheran Church

Call Floyd County Public Health with questions 641-257-6111

January 17th Childhood Immunization Clinic –
Floyd County Court House 9:00 - 12:00 PM
To schedule an appointment call 1-641-257- 6111

January 25th Childhood Immunization Clinic –
Floyd County Court House 1:00 PM -4:00 PM
To schedule an appointment call 1-641-257- 6111

January 24th Floyd County WIC Clinic – 1010 S
Grand Ave, Charles City 9:00 AM- 3:00
PM
For information call 1-800-657-5856

January 25th Floyd County WIC Clinic – 1010 S
Grand Ave, Charles City 9:00 AM- 3:00
PM
For information call 1-800-657-5856

January 26th Floyd County WIC Clinic – 1010 S
Grand Ave, Charles City 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM
For information call 1-800-657-5856

Other classes available are:

Early Pregnancy: information on the first months of pregnancy

Cesarean Birth Awareness: information on caesarean birth

Our New Baby: for older brothers and sisters of the new baby

Scheduled upon request: fee is \$15.00 for each class

Parkinson Support Group – for information call St. John Lutheran – Charles City 1-641-228-3397

Alzheimer's Support Group – for information call Floyd County Public Health Home Care 1-641-257-6124

Diabetic Support Group –for information call Floyd County Medical Center 1-641-257-4317

MOP (Mother's with Preschoolers) – for information call St. John Lutheran 1-641-228-3397

Community Indoor Walking –Trinity United Methodist – Charles City

Monday - Friday 7:30 – 9:00 AM

Fibromyalgia Support Group- for information call 641-228-7141

Calendar Information: Floyd County Public Health/HHC, 1-641-257-6111

Janice Brahn
Floyd County Public Health/Home Health Care
641-257-6111

Beef Pot Pie

First off I would like to wish you a Happy New Year from all of us at Dugan's!

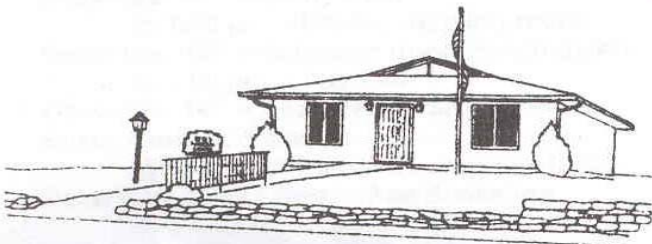
Ingredients:

1 Tbs. olive oil
1 cup Onions, raw, chopped
1 lb Beef arm roast, cubed
2 cups Beef Broth,
8 oz. Mixed Vegetables, frozen
1/4 cup Cornstarch
Refrigerated Flaky Biscuit Dough, 1 roll

Instructions:

Saute onions in 1 Tbs. of oil. Add Beef, cook until half way done. Add Beef Broth and continue to simmer until beef is fully cooked. Add Mixed Vegetables and bring to a slow boil. Add 1 cup of water to cornstarch and stir with a fork until smooth and looks like milk. Add cornstarch to mixture slowly and stirring until desired thickness. Take half of the biscuits and pull them apart in half. and lay the dough on the bottom of a baking pan.

Pour beef mixture into pan. Place remaining biscuit dough on top of the mixture. Bake in a 400 degree oven until biscuit crust is golden brown.



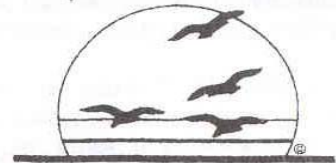
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Inheritance by Christopher Paolini
The Litigators by John Grisham
Come A Little Closer by Dorothy Garlock
Explosive Eighteen by Janet Evanovich

Western Paperbacks:

Snake Eyes by Jory Sherman
The Long Hunt by Cameron Judd
Between Hell & Texas by Dusty Richards
Assault On The Mountain Man by William W Johnstone
Revenge of Eagles by William Johnstone

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